

20th October 2016

Dear Parent/Carer

I am writing, to thank you for your continued support in this first half term, and to ask for your commitment to our continued drive for high standards and consistency across the Academy.

At Blackpool Aspire Academy our uniform is designed to make life straightforward for our students and to allow them to work easily and safely so that they can make learning their priority. We know that a high standard of uniform has a positive impact on behaviour within Aspire and on making a calm, purposeful working environment for all students. When students are dressed in the correct academy uniform, they are positive role models for their peers and present a business like and impressive image of Aspire in the local community.

Please read below to clarify certain aspects of academy uniform policy to ensure that your son/ daughter is fully prepared in correct uniform after the October Half-Term Holiday.

Jewellery

Jewellery is restricted to:

- 1 pair of plain gold/silver coloured studs
- 1 wristwatch

No facial piercings are allowed.

Additional jewellery may be confiscated for collection at the end of the school day.

Make up

Make up must be minimal and natural, with no false eye lashes. Any students not conforming to this will be asked to remove their make up.

Nails

Nails must appear natural with no coloured nail varnish.

Acrylic nails must:

- be short in length
- be natural in colour
- have a rounded tip

Students arriving to school with coloured nail varnish or inappropriate acrylics will be asked to remove them.

Hair

Hairstyles must be suitable for the academy environment.

- Only black, brown or blonde dyed hair is acceptable - no other dyed colours
- Tramlines or shaved head designs are not acceptable

Students may be placed within isolation until the situation is resolved.

From Monday 7th November, after the half term break, the Academy will be following up on all unacceptable uniform and will contact parents and carers immediately if a student refuses to comply with the rules. Please support us by ensuring that your son/daughter has only the correct uniform and by taking action if we contact you regarding a uniform concern.

Thank you once again for your support in helping us to make sure that the uniform policy at Blackpool Aspire Academy is fairly and consistently applied.

You may be aware that from Monday 7th November Crossley's Bridge will be closing to traffic and diversions will be in operation. This will affect public transport and parents are advised to contact Blackpool Transport on (01253) 473001 or check Blackpool Transport's website www.blackpooltransport.com for updated timetables. Some bus routes will take longer and your child may need to catch an earlier bus to arrive on time at 8.35am.

Yours faithfully



L Shuttleworth-Brown
Principal